



State of Indiana Indiana Horse Racing Commission

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Indiana Adopts RCI Medication and Multiple Medication Violation Rules

At its April 30, 2014 public meeting, the Indiana Horse Racing Commission (“IHRC”) unanimously voted (5-0) to approve the Association of Racing Commissioners (“RCI”) national uniform medication rules and multiple medication violation penalties. The newly approved rules apply equally between all breeds and become effective beginning with the racing programs on May 15, 2014.

Horsemen should be aware that the new threshold levels will result in some medications having longer suggested withdrawal times than they currently do. This is especially true for a drug such as clenbuterol; its suggested withdrawal time changes from 5 days to 14 days. It is vital that horsemen and veterinarians be especially mindful of this, and treat their horses accordingly. Prior to the May 15th implementation date horsemen are urged to adhere to the longest published withdrawal time for each medication in order to avoid a positive test. Additional information regarding medication withdrawal times will be posted on the IHRC’s website at www.in.gov/hrc.

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